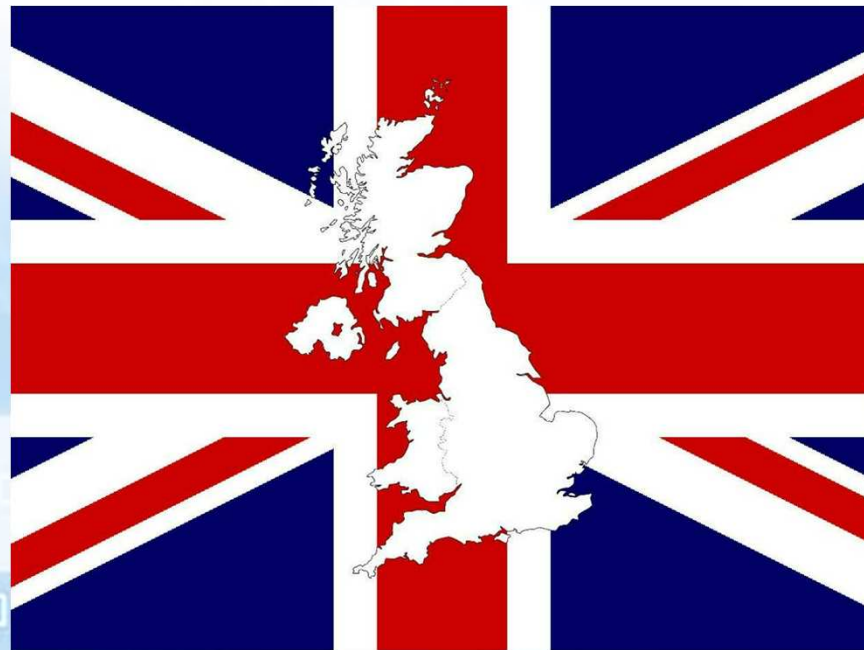


# Geography of the United Kingdom





# Warm up

- ❖ Do you know any cities in the UK?
- ❖ How many parts can the UK be divided into? What are they?
- ❖ Why does London play a significant role in the UK?
- ❖ Why do people say England when they mean UK? Have you ever made the same mistake?
- ❖ What are the geographic features of the UK?

# Introduction

The official name of the UK is the **United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland**.

The UK is made up of:

- Great Britain (England, Scotland, and the principality of Wales. )
- Northern Ireland (also known as Ulster)
- Numerous smaller islands



# Borders

## The Borders

The four seas which border the UK are:

- English Channel - separates UK from continental Europe
- to the east the North Sea
- to the west the Irish Sea
- and the Atlantic Ocean



Under the English Channel there is the Channel Tunnel, which links the UK to France

# British Isles

The **British Isles** is a geographical term which includes **Great Britain**, the **whole of Ireland**, and all the **offshore islands**, like the **Isle of Man** which has its own parliament and laws.

**The British Isles is made up of:**

**England** - The capital is London.

**Scotland** - The capital is Edinburgh.

**Wales** - The capital is Cardiff.

**Northern Ireland** - The capital is Belfast.

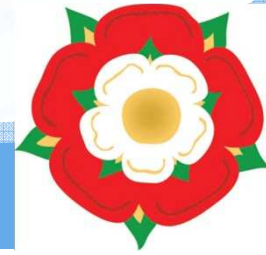
**Republic of Ireland** - The capital is Dublin.

and about **five thousand small islands**.





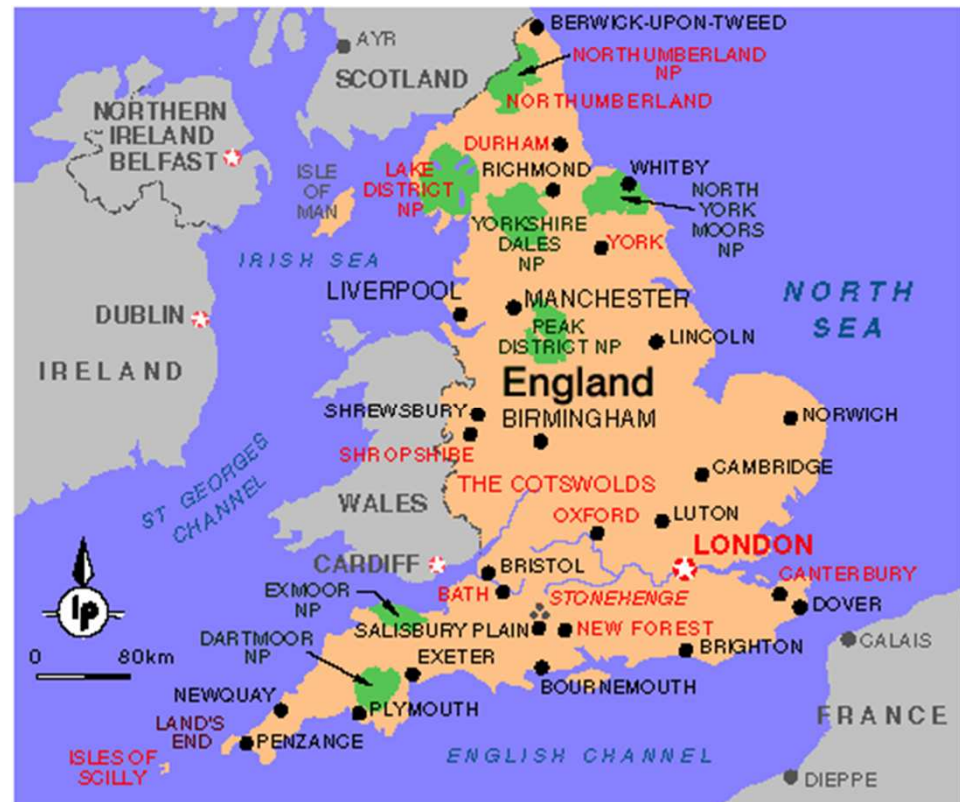
# England: morphology



Capital City: **London**

Major Cities: Birmingham,  
Leeds, Liverpool,  
Manchester, Sheffield

- ❖ the largest country of the UK,
- ❖ only 35 km from France
- ❖ Rich in hills and agricultural land
- ❖ the north is mostly covered in moorland and mountains (Dartmoor, Exmoor)



England

# England: mountains and rivers



- ❖ Highest point:  
**Scafell Pike** 978 m  
(part of the Cumbrian Mountains in North West England = known as Lake District)
- ❖ Longest river:  
**Thames** (346 km)
- ❖ a long coastline of 3,200 km



# Test your knowledge

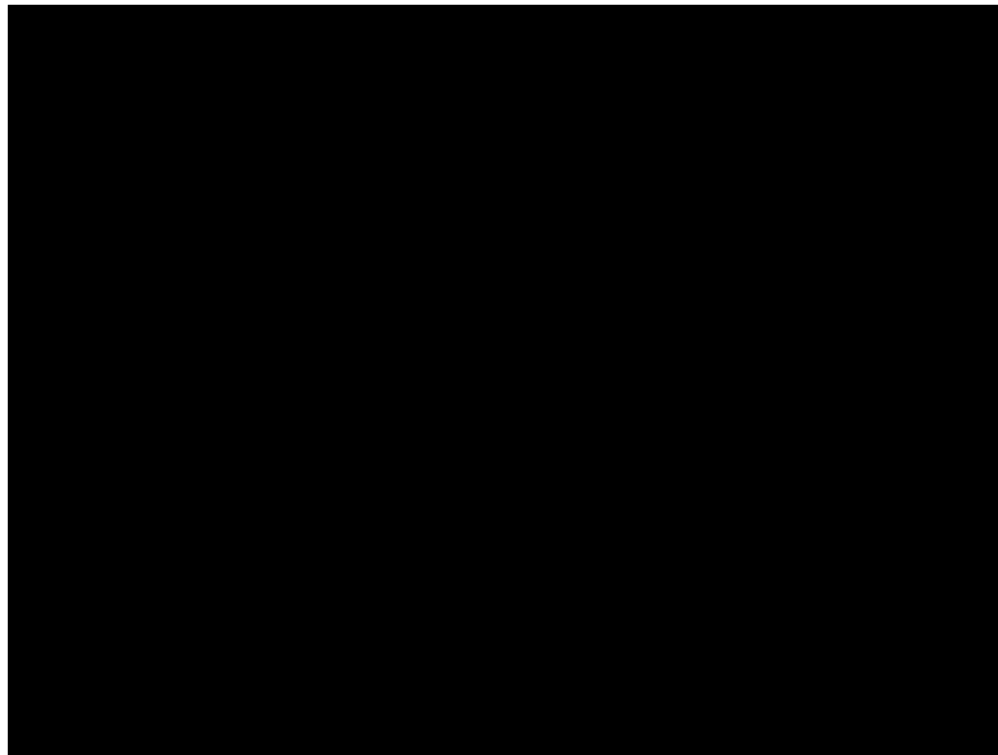


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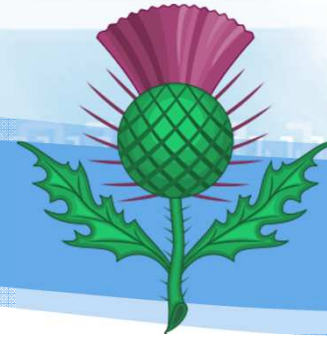
# London- Class discussion

Watch the video and try to focus your attention on the places described, what are the things you would like to see in London? Why?



<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=POqlg0XITAE>

# Scotland



The Scottish  
Thistle

- ❖ a mountainous country
- ❖ capital is **Edinburgh**
- ❖ Major Cities: Aberdeen, Dundee, Glasgow
- ❖ Highest point: **Ben Nevis** (1,343 m)
- ❖ famous for its lochs (lakes), clans, kilts, medieval castles



Do you know what's the monster's name?



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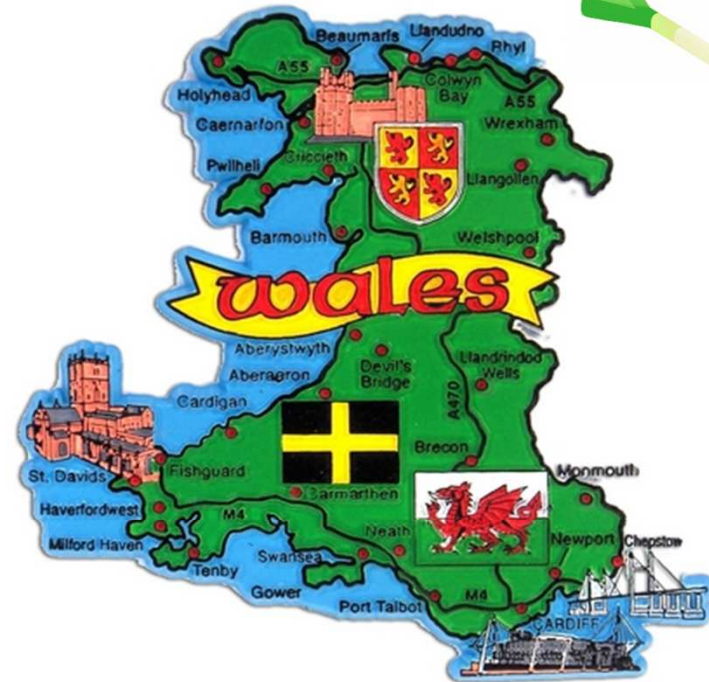
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Loch Ness



# Wales

- ❖ a mountainous country
- ❖ Capital City: **Cardiff**
- ❖ Highest point: **Snowdon**  
1085 metres
- ❖ Longest river: **Towy** (Tywi)  
103 km
- ❖ Largest Lake: **Bala**







Try to guess why the Welsh flag depicts a red dragon...



# Northern Ireland



One pound  
with the flax  
plant of NI



- ❖ in the northeastern part of the island of Ireland
- ❖ Capital City: **Belfast**
- ❖ Highest point: **Slieve Donard** mountain 848m
- ❖ Longest river: **River Bann** 129 km
- ❖ Largest Lake: **Lough Neagh**



Why do you think this place is called Giant's Causeway

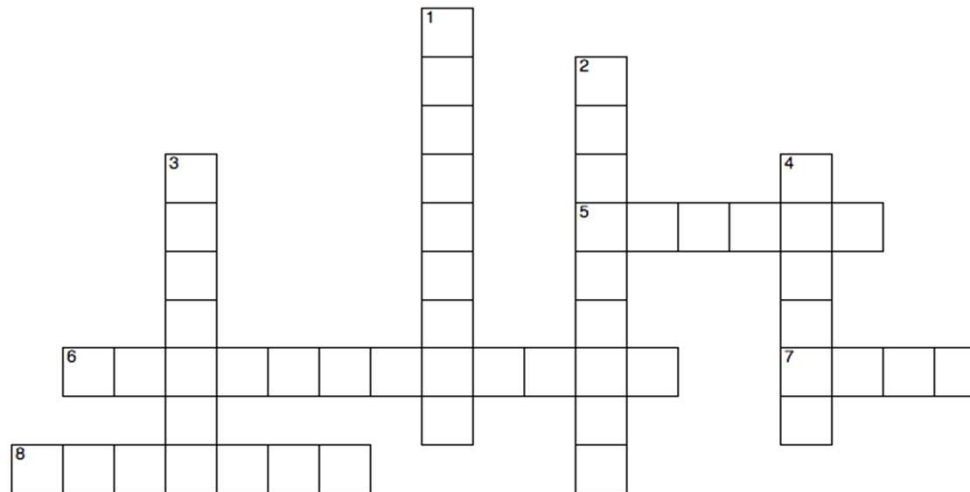


**Giant's Causeway** is the result of an ancient volcanic eruption

# Test your knowledge

## Geography UK 1

Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland



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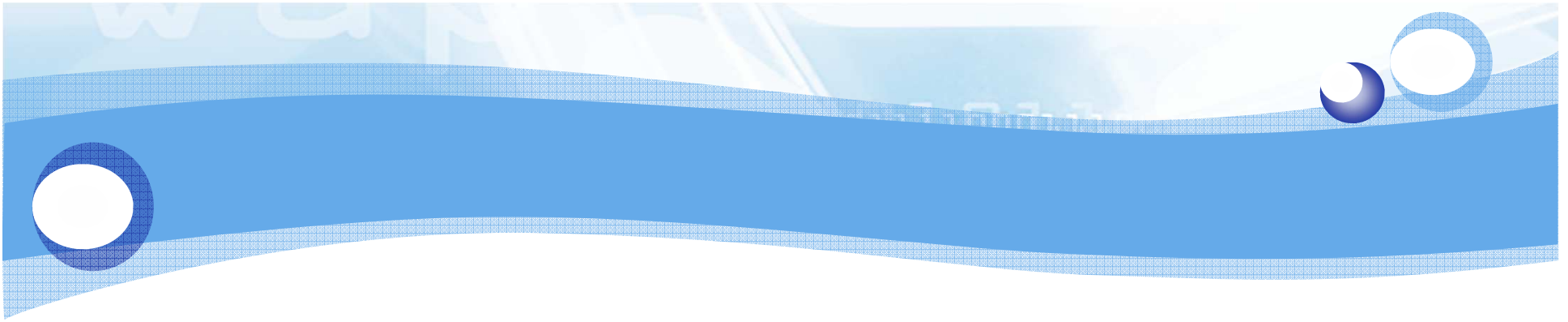
- 5 the legendary monster who lives in Loch Ness
- 6 The highest point in Northern Ireland
- 7 The longest welsh river
- 8 The capital of Northern Ireland

### DOWN

- 1 the "animal" on the Welsh flag
- 2 The capital of Scotland
- 3 The capital of Wales
- 4 Very big people

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Thank you

